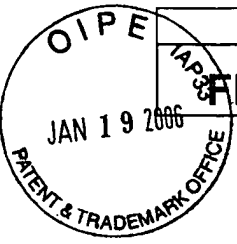


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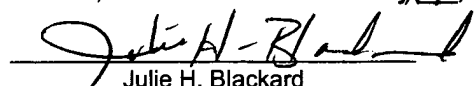
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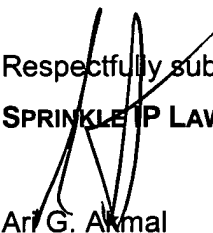
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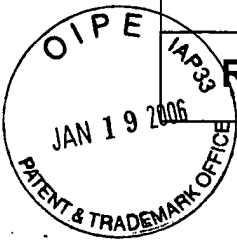
  
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| TOTAL                | 25                                     | -     | 23  | 2                | \$25                 | \$50                 | \$100.00          |
| INDEP.               | 5                                      | -     | 3   | 2                | \$100                | \$200                | \$400.00          |
| Total Additional Fee |  |       |   |                  |                      |                      | \$500.00          |

Enclosed is a check in the amount of **\$500.00** as representing payment for additional claims. Applicant believes no further fees are due and owing. If Applicant is in error, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct the appropriate amount from Deposit Account No. 50-3183 of SPRINKLE IP LAW GROUP.

Respectfully submitted,  
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In response to the Official Action mailed October 21, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the Claims in view of this reply.

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